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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL ACTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116

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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated October 15, 2007, finally rejecting claims 1-17, please reconsider the application in light of the following:

A Listing of the Claims begins on page 3 of this paper. No claim amendments have been made hereby.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.